

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
Klaus Hoffman	)	Group Art Unit: 3683
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Application Serial No.: 10/542,812	)	
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Filing Date: July 20, 2005	)	Examiner: Thomas J. Williams
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FOR: CLAMPING AND/OR BRAKING	)	Confirmation No.: 5741
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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 20, 2007, in the above-identified application, and is filed within the three-month shortened statutory period for response set in the Final Office Action. The amendments included with this response are submitted pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.116 to place the case in condition for allowance.

Please amend the application as follows: